

**The Minutes of the Macon City Council Meeting**  
**March 8, 2022 – 6:30 P.M.**  
**106 West Bourke Street**  
**Macon, Missouri 63552**

Mayor Talt Holman called the meeting to order with the following members in attendance: Tony Petre, Caleb Dwiggins, Ernie Lea, Jerry Thompson, Greg Wiggans, Chris Walk, and Jerold Carr.

Absent: Dick Schlanker

**Approval of minutes from previous meeting:**

Councilman Lea moved to approve the Minutes of the January 11, 2022 and February 8, 2022 regular meetings and the Minutes of the February 22, 2022 public hearing as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carr and approved by all present voting in favor.

**Accounts Payable:**

Councilman Dwiggins moved to approve accounts payable as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson and approved by all present voting in favor

**Financial Report:**

Councilman Carr moved to approve the Financial Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggins and approved by all present voting in favor.

**Old Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

**MMDA request to remodel Rollins/Oak parking lot planters - Gloria Guinn**

Gloria Guinn, member of the Mainstreet Macon Downtown Association (MMDA), requested City Council's approval to remodel the planter area of the Rollins-Oak Street parking lot (Parking Lot Number One). MMDA provides landscaping work to the cement planters and noticed the cement planters have developed structural problems that would require significant repair to correct. On February 2, 2022, the MMDA board of directors voted to pursue a remodel of the cement planter area. MMDA discussed removing the cement planters and replacing them with smaller ground level planting beds, brick paving, and large pots for planting. This would provide a more updated look, easier maintenance and planting, and better accessibility to the area for events that are held near the parking lot. The current area has an electric service attached to the north cement planter. According to General Manager, Stephanie Wilson, the Macon Municipal Utilities would be able to assist with the electrical components of this project. This would be an MMDA beautification project paid with MMDA funds and donations. The Council expressed a preference of using only cement planters rather than including areas for ground level plantings to avoid trash and debris accumulations problems.

Mayor Holman and Councilman Chris Walk volunteered to provide free labor, equipment, and material disposal to demolish the current cement planters for the MMDA group to defray costs of the project.

Councilman Thompson moved to approve the removal of the cement planters to make ready for an MMDA remodel of the area. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggins and approved by all present voting in favor.

**Appointments to Board of Adjustment**

Mayor Holman recommended the re-appointment of Duane Snyder to the Board of Adjustment to serve through February 2027.

Councilman Petre moved to approve the re-appointment of Duane Snyder to the Board of Adjustment to serve through February 2027. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggins and approved by all present voting in favor.

Mayor Holman recommended the appointment of Chad Mayes to the Board of Adjustment as Alternate #2 to serve through February 2027.

Councilman Carr moved to approve the appointment of Chad Mayes to the Board of Adjustment as Alternate #2 to serve through February 2027. The motion was seconded by Councilman Petre and approved by all present voting in favor.

Mayor Holman recommended the appointment of Dale Reid to the Board of Adjustment as Alternate #3 to serve through February 2027.

Councilman Dwiggins moved to approve the appointment of Dale Reid to the Board of Adjustment as Alternate #3 to serve through February 2027. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carr and approved by all present voting in favor.

**Appointment to Planning and Zoning Commission**

Mayor Holman recommended the appointment of George Quinn to the Planning and Zoning Commission to serve through November 2026.

Councilman Petre moved to approve the appointment of George Quinn to the Planning and Zoning Commission to serve through November 2026. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson and approved by all present voting in favor.

**Ordinance – OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MACON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING ENTERING INTO A MASTER LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH USCOC OF GREATER MISSOURI, LLC** (US Cellular small wireless deployment)

Councilman Thompson moved to place on the first reading, the ordinance authorizing entering into a Master License Agreement with USCOC of Greater Missouri, LLC. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggins and approved by roll call as follows:

Yea: Petre, Lea, Dwiggins, Thompson, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.  
Nay: None.  
Absent: Schlanker

Councilman Carr moved to place on the second and final reading, the ordinance authorizing entering into a Master License Agreement with USCOC of Greater Missouri, LLC. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggins and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Petre, Lea, Dwiggins, Thompson, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.  
Nay: None.  
Absent: Schlanker

**Ordinance – OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MACON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE NATURAL GAS COMMODITY PURCHASE CONTRACTS BETWEEN KINECT ENERGY AND MACON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES**

Councilman Petre moved to place on the first reading, the ordinance authorizing execution of the natural gas commodity purchase contracts between Kinect Energy and Macon Municipal Utilities. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lea and approved by roll call as follows:

Yea: Petre, Lea, Dwiggins, Thompson, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.  
Nay: None.  
Absent: Schlanker

Councilman Thompson moved to place on the second and final reading, the ordinance authorizing execution of the natural gas commodity purchase contracts between Kinect Energy and Macon Municipal Utilities. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carr and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Petre, Lea, Dwiggins, Thompson, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.  
Nay: None.  
Absent: Schlanker

**Ordinance – OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MACON, MISSOURI DESIGNATING THE FIRST TWENTY-FIVE (25) FEET OF VINE STREET, WESTBOUND FROM THE INTERSECTION OF VINE STREET AND RUTHERFORD STREET, AS A NO PARKING ZONE; AUTHORIZING POSTING OF APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE GIVING NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF SUCH DESIGNATION; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

Councilman Lea moved to place on the first reading, the ordinance designating the first twenty-five (25) feet of Vine Street, westbound from the intersection of Vine Street and Rutherford Street, as a No Parking Zone; authorizing posting of appropriate signage giving notice to the public of such designation; and establishing an effect date. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson and approved by roll call as follows:

Yea: Petre, Lea, Dwiggins, Thompson, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.  
Nay: None.  
Absent: Schlanker

Councilman Carr moved to place on the second and final reading, the ordinance designating the first twenty-five (25) feet of Vine Street, westbound from the intersection of Vine Street and Rutherford Street, as a No Parking Zone; authorizing posting of appropriate signage giving notice to the public of such designation; and establishing an effect date. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wiggans and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Petre, Lea, Dwiggins, Thompson, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.  
Nay: None.  
Absent: Schlanker

**Award 2022 Nuisance Abatement Contractor**

Three bids were received as follows:

Contracted Nuisance Abatement Work	Jeff Davis Trucking	Good Ol' Boy Lawn Service	Brad's Lawn Care
	Yr-2022	Yr-2022	Yr-2022
Property Mowing	69.00	65.00	45.00
Property Clearing	90.00	65.00	None
Property Securing	90.00	65.00	None

Councilman Petre moved to award each service to the lowest bidder, awarding the 2022 property mowing to Brad's Lawn Care and awarding the 2022 property clearing and property securing to Good Ol' Boy Lawn Service. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggins and approved by all present voting in favor.

**Authorize Execution of 2022 YMCA Management Agreement**

The City has partnered with the Macon Area Long Branch YMCA for the management of the Don Schelle Ballfield Complex. Labor and maintenance costs are shared between the City and YMCA per the management agreement. In previous years, the largest expenditure for the City was the \$150/month seasonal rental fee for a field maintenance tractor (\$1,050 season total). Following City Council recommendation, the City has eliminated that expense in the FY-2022 budget and are utilizing a Recreation & Transportation Department lawn tractor for this purpose.

Councilman Dwiggins moved to authorize the execution of the 2022 YMCA Management Agreement as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson and approved by all present voting in favor.

**Award of Pickleball/Tennis Court Project in Brees Park**

The Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund FY-2022 Budget included \$67,762.00 allocated for the conversion of the Brees Park double tennis courts to six pickleball courts and the resurfacing of the single tennis court. MMU will install new lighting systems on the courts. The City, as a member of The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) purchasing cooperative, acquired a quote from McConnell & Associates as following:

Single tennis court resurfacing	\$13,684.00
Double tennis court to 6 pickleball court conversion and resurfacing:	\$36,281.00
East/West divider fence	\$ 4,500.00
North/South divider fence	<u>\$10,080.00</u>
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b><u>\$64,545.00</u></b>

Councilman Thompson moved to award the pickleball/tennis court project in Brees Park. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggins and approved by all present voting in favor.

**Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Municipal Pool Project Consultant Engineer**

City Administrator, Avis Marshall, and Park & Recreation Committee Chairman, Tony Petre, discussed that Statement of Qualifications are due on March 21<sup>st</sup> followed by selection of a Consultant Engineer for the municipal pool project at the April 12, 2022 Council meeting. Fee negotiations will begin after the engineer selection process and final contract will be presented to council for approval.

Chairman Petre also thanked Talt, on behalf of the City of Macon and the Park & Recreation Committee, for donating and installing the culvert tube and removing timber for the construction of a walking trail connecting Rustic Park to the Bourke Street park property. As always, his contributions to the community projects are greatly appreciated.

**Mayor's report:**

Mayor Holman reported the following:

- Fiddle Teter celebrated his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday
- Mayor Holman congratulated the Macon High School Basketball teams on a great season.
- The Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament is scheduled for May 20, 2022. Those who like to sign up for the tournament or sponsor a hole needs to contact Sharon Scott, Director of the Chamber of Commerce.
- The next Coffee Chat hosted by the Chamber of Commerce is scheduled for March 15<sup>th</sup> at the Royal Theatre Reception Hall.

**Council reports:**

- Councilman Lea reported the following theatre performances for this upcoming season at Maples Repertory Theatre:
  - The Great American Trailer Park Musical – June 15-July 10
  - The Nerd – June 24-July 31
  - Hank Williams: Lost Highway – July 15-August 7
  - The Bikinis: A New Musical Beach Party – October 5-October 16
  - Something's Afoot – October 27-November 7
  - 'Tis the Season: A Maples Rep Holiday Celebration – November 30-December 11
- Councilman Thompson reported that the pothole improvements throughout town are greatly appreciated. He also welcomed Daniel West's new coffee shop, Maple City Roasters, to downtown Macon.

**City Administrator's report:**

City Administrator, Avis Marshall, reported the following:

- City Office staff time was spent preparing multiple bid notifications and RFQs for upcoming projects as well as continuing progress work for ongoing current projects and contracts.
- Macon Economic Development, Association of General Contractors, and Avis met to discuss the "Build My Future" event scheduled for September 21, 2022. This event provides high school students the opportunity to spend a day in the construction industry through an interactive showcase in hopes to get youth interested in pursuing careers in this industry. Macon and other schools in the region will participate along with volunteer contractors.
- City Office staff is preparing for the FY-2021 Financial Audit that will be conducted by Williams Keepers of Columbia Missouri.
- LaPlata is capable and willing to fill our SCBA Units for us if our fill station fails before replacement is completed. In addition, a summary of the various call activity of the Police and Fire Department was provided as well as an update on the status of the Incident Command Truck and two patrol vehicles we have on order. The Fire Department is anticipated to receive their new incident command

truck this upcoming fall while the Police Department is anticipated to receive their new patrol vehicles within in the next 45 days.

- Street Department has continued working on clearing storm drains, filling potholes, and snow removal.

**City Clerk’s report:**

None.

**Closed Sessions:**

At 7:10 P.M. Councilman Petre moved to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo.§610.021(1) Litigation and §610.021(2) Leasing, purchasing, or sale of real estate. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggin and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Petre, Lea, Dwiggin, Thompson, Wiggins, Walk, Carr.  
Nay: None.  
Absent: Schlanker

Closed session attendance: Petre, Lea, Dwiggin, Thompson, Wiggins, Walk, Carr, Holman, Marshall, and Craig.

Councilman Petre was excused from the meeting.

**Ordinance – OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MACON, MISSOURI TO SELL AND CONVEY ALL OF LOT 57 OF MACON LAKE ESTATES TO THE CITY OF MACON, MACON COUNTY, MISSOURI.**

Councilman Dwiggin moved to place on the first reading, the ordinance to sell and convey all of Lot 57 of Macon Lake Estates to the City of Macon, Macon County, Missouri. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson and approved by roll call as follows:

Yea: Lea, Dwiggin, Thompson, Wiggins, Walk, Carr.  
Nay: None.  
Absent: Petre, Schlanker

Councilman Lea moved to place on the second and final reading, the ordinance to sell and convey all of Lot 57 of Macon Lake Estates to the City of Macon, Macon County, Missouri. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wiggins and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Lea, Dwiggin, Thompson, Wiggins, Walk, Carr.  
Nay: None.  
Absent: Petre, Schlanker

At 7:33 P.M. Councilman Thompson moved to come out of closed session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggin and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Lea, Dwiggin, Thompson, Wiggins, Walk, Carr.  
Nay: None.  
Absent: Petre, Schlanker.

City Clerk announced that the ordinance approving the sale of Macon Lake Estates Lot #57 was approved and passed.

**Adjournment:**

Councilman Carr moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggin.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

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Mary Lou Craigg, City Clerk

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James T Holman, Mayor